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In re Patent Application of

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For: ALDEHYDE MODIFIED CELLULOSE PULP
FOR THE PREPARATION OF HIGH
STRENGTH PAPER PRODUCTS

Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This application is a divisional filed in response to the Office Action mailed 4/25/00. Please consider the following comments below.

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 – 25 are pending.

REMARKS

This application is being filed in response to the Examiner who required that claims 1-5 and 23 – 37, relating to the composition claims to the paper and the method of making the paper, were restricted out of the original application, serial number 09/375,939. Those claims are being filed in the present application and are renumbered consecutively in the present application as Claims 1-3, 7-10, 14-25.

The claims have been amended to include Claims 4-6 and 11-13 in order to reflect the improved compression properties of the paper of the present invention. Examples 13 and 14 have been added the